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In re Application of: D. MESSERLI et al.

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Sir:

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A Fee Transmittal Sheet and an Appeal Brief are being submitted in triplicate. It is respectfully requested that the time for submission of the Appeal Brief in accordance with the Notice of Appeal dated March 26, 2002, be extended for a period of 2 months up to July 26, 2002.

Thus, the fee for this extension is estimated to be \$ 400.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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